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PATENT APPLICATION

*IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE*

Group: 3731

Atty. Docket: 9134-0051

Applicants: Hans-Juergen Kuhr et al.

Title: LANCET DISPENSER

Serial No.: 09/389,428

Filed: September 3, 1999

Examiner: Ngo, L.

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On August 21, 2002

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Dated: August 21, 2002

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed May 21, 2002, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment. A marked-up copy of the amended claims are included in the attached Appendix.

In The Claims

Please amend claims 22 and 49 as follows:

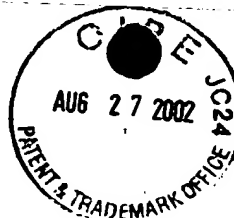
22. (Twice Amended) A system that is suitable for collecting bodily fluid from a region of the body of a person to be examined, the system comprising:
- a lancing device which is suitable for holding a lancet, the lancet including a needle, and
- a lancet magazine for storing a plurality of lancets, the lancet magazine comprising

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Transmitted herewith is a response in the above-identified application:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	22	21	1	\$18	\$18
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	8	7	1	\$84	\$84
If applicant has small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here.			SMALL ENTITY TOTAL	NO	\$102
TOTAL FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS					\$102

\_\_\_\_\_ An Extension of Time for \_\_\_\_\_ month(s) is hereby requested  
under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). The required fee for filing this extension is: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Information Disclosure Statement \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No Fee Required for This Amendment \_\_\_\_\_

X A check in the amount of \$ 102.00 to cover the total fee for this  
amendment is attached.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17 which may be required during the prosecution of this application, or credit of any overpayment, to Bose McKinney & Evans LLP's Deposit Account No. 02-3223. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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